



Alabama Aerospace and Aviation High School

June '25 Governing Board Meeting

Governing Board Executive Session Meeting Minutes

Date: 6/26/25

Time: 3:07 PM CST

Location:

AL Aerospace and Aviation High

1414 2nd Ave Bessemer, AL 35020

Attendees:

Governing Board Members:

Louann Hasenkamp

Terry Mills

Tierra Wright

Shaella Askew

R. J. Smith (Virtual)

Gabriel Kim (Virtual)

Al Niles (Virtual)

AAHS Representatives/Others:

Ruben Morris

Jasmine Cobb

Agenda

I. Opening Items 3:00 PM

- A. Roll Call & Establishment of Quorum
- B. Call the Meeting to Order Scott Underwood
- C. Adoption of the Agenda Vote Scott Underwood
- D. Approve Minutes from May 30, 2025

Minutes: Scott Underwood

II. Public Comment

III. School Director Report

IV. Financials 3:07 PM

A. FY '25 - June 2025 Financials Vote

Vote to approve the June 2025 bank reconciliation and financial statements.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Facilities Committee Report

VII. Chief Executive Officer's Report

A. School Updates Ruben Morris

VIII. Old Business

X. New Business

A. Back office provider

XI. Closing Items

A. Adjourn Meeting Vote Scott Underwood

Discussion Points

Opening Items

Meeting called to order at 3:07 pm by Ruben Morris as presiding officer in place of Scott Underwood.

- Welcoming new board member; Shaella Askew

II. Public Comment

No Public Comment

III. School Director Report

- Presenting new and updated policies for approval;
 1. Commencement participation guidelines
 2. No zero grading policy
 3. Promotion and retention policy

IV. Financials 3:07 PM

A. FY '25 - June 2025 Financials Vote

Vote to approve the June 2025 bank reconciliation and financial statements.

- June 2025 bank reconciliation and financial statements were approved
- Still waiting on \$180,00 from the state department. Discussed \$0 cash and the concerns. AAHS has still been able to meet payroll timely.
- Discussed budget cuts for administrative roles that will help with cash flow; School Operations Manager and School Director in training.

VI. Committee Reports

A. Facilities Committee Report

- Aviation Village is still on track with construction at the Bessemer Airport. Land clearing should begin within the next 30 days. AAHS has been included in an earmark budget for approximately 2 million dollars by Tommy Tuberville proposed for January 2026
 - Staffing was questioned in regards to positions needed; AAHS answered only one position still needed.
- Current facility structure progress was addressed. AAHS addressed plans and progress of reviewing contractor's repair warranty.

VII. Chief Executive Officer's Report

A. School Updates Ruben Morris

- Discussed current school operations such as summer school enrichment and credit recovery offered by 21st CCLC Federal grant with breakfast and lunch.
- Enrollment at 180, still working for 200 goal for 25-26 School year
- Funding received for school operations
 1. 25,000 grant
 2. \$100,000 to drop prior to fall from FAA grant that was frozen
 3. State technology grant \$80,000
- Next week Ruben Morris will present at the National Charter School Conference in regards to our school model.
- 5 champions in flight program at Tuskegee University for the summer via grant
- AAHS pushed solo flight academy to July 11, 2025

VIII. Old Business

- Roof leak update

X. New Business

A. Back office provider

- Back office: concerns with New Schools for Alabama
- Will look into other options and get board member thoughts. There is a company that is proposed to present at the next board meeting.

XI. Closing Items

- Motion to approve School Director's report of updated school policies by T. Mills and seconded L. Hasenkamp on. Approved
- Motion to approve May Financials by R.J. Smith and seconded by Niles. Approved.

X. Adjourn Meeting Vote

Meeting Adjourned at 4:07pm